

Powerful Learning Practice Continues at IU 13

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| **Who:** | Powerful Learning Practice (PLP) is a job embedded  professional development model developed and led by  **Sheryl Nussbaum-Beach** and **Will Richardson**. |
| **What:** | The PLP comprehensive model at IU 13 is a long-term (8-10 months) blend of face-to-face and job-embedded online learning. A learning cohort of approximately 110 educators will be built by combining 5-member teams from up to 22 different schools or districts, within Pennsylvania. The year of learning includes two, full-day face-to-face workshops, five two-hour webinars, and ongoing learning and support in an online culture of inquiry that is supported by a scaffolding of leadership. |
| **When:** | 2011-2012 school year |
| **Year 1 Participants:** | One team of 4-5 members from each district representing an elementary or secondary level. Teams should include administration and teacher representation. Year 1 focuses on understanding the global changes created by online social technologies and their implications for teaching and learning. Deep thinking about professional and personal learning practice and work on understanding practical and pedagogical implications for classroom is promoted. Teams will conduct action research that is aligned to school improvement goals while initiating district-wide conversations and planning around long-term change and the scaling of these ideas and technologies. |
| **Year 2 Participants:** | Members of the 2010-11 cohort will have the opportunity to continue their experience by joining a second year cohort with teams of 2-3 people. Year 2 focuses on project, problem, and passion-based learning. You are taught how to use inquiry-based learning through the lens of social technologies. You’ll have provocative conversations and explore collaborative solutions to assessment. You will work on re-envisioning classrooms and curriculum through hands-on, online, student/teacher collaboration. These teams will develop a cross-curricular project aligned with state standards and embedded with 21st Century skills and literacies. You will look closely at how to scale learning while involving students in the PLP process. |
| **Cost:** | $75 per person for districts within the IU 13 service area, $100 for those outside of IU 13 to cover facilities and meals for participants during the face-to-face workshops. (Act 183 grant funds are being used to cover the actual program and support costs.) |
| **Schedule:** | Face-to-Face Kickoff Session – September 16, 2011  Face-to-Face Celebration Session – May 14, 2012  Webinar Schedule TBD |
| **To Register:** | Every member of the team must register.  Go to:  <http://www.iu13.org>  Click on **Event Registration.**  Click on **Register Here!**  Navigate to September and click on **Powerful Learning Practice Cohort-2011-12.**  Follow the required steps to register. |

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